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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Members of the FCC,

I am a self-employed consultant, working out of my home office in Sebastopol, CA. I'm writing today to urge you to deny USTelecom's petition to remove components of the 1996 Telecommunications Act that support competition in the market for residential internet and telephone services.

I feel lucky to have a choice of internet and phone service providers--yet competition is *supposed* to be a key driver of our US economy! Please do not gut the regulations that protect consumers and, frankly, the American Way, by ensuring business competition in the broadband market.

Do the right thing--it's up to you!

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